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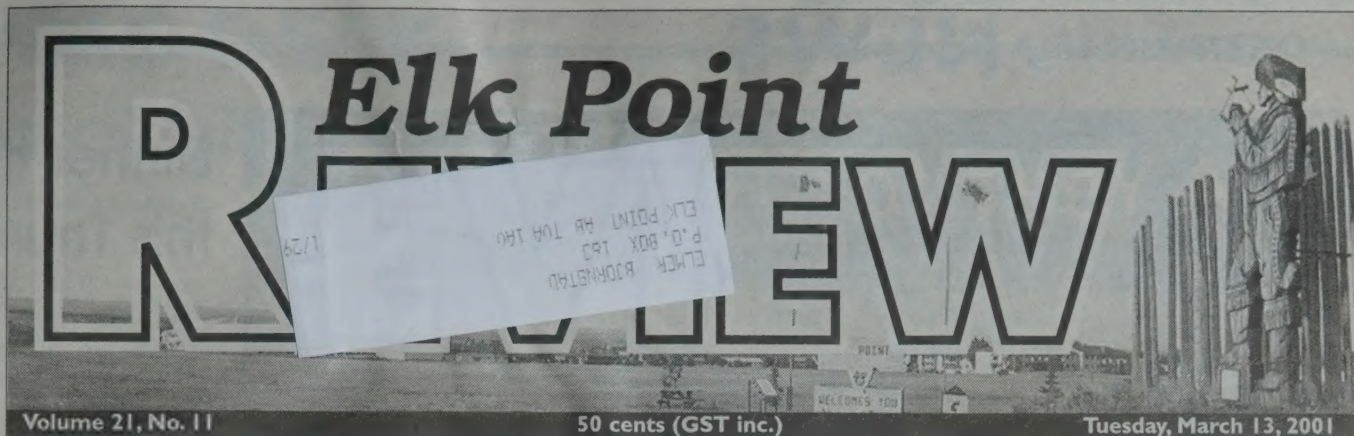
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Power outage delays Ice Carnival

Daylan Hoffman delights as guest star

The stage was set, the performers in costume, the lobby crowded with eager spectators early Sunday afternoon as Elk Point Skating Club prepared to present "Toy Story." All that was missing was electricity.

After waiting more than half an hour and selling raffle tickets by flashlight, a phone call from Atco Electric told the organizers that power would not be restored until near the supper hour. Prize draws were made and the audience agreed to return at 7 p.m. for the show.

It was a show well worth waiting for. Pint-sized Buzz Lightyears, little Woodys and Jessies, a platoon of petite soldiers, adorable Bo Peeps, Ken and a bevy of Barbies, even a plump piggy bank and Mrs. Potato Head were on hand to tell the story of Andy, a little boy whose best friend is a cowboy doll named Woody.

Andy's birthday is approaching and Woody and the other toys are worried that his birthday toys will be more exciting than they are. Woody helps two Bo Peeps to find their sheep and four small soldiers struggle with a walkie-talkie larger than they are as the birthday creeps nearer.

The gift proves to be astronaut Buzz Lightyear,

and Woody, quite predictably, feels left out. However, when Buzz gets left in the yard of the bad

skaters, and two numbers by a former member who has gone a long way with her skating, Daylan

Sectionals in Calgary. She went on to Thunder Bay, Ontario for Divisionals, where she placed sixth, and the Canadians in Windsor, Ontario where she placed a very respectable fourteenth. Her spins, leaps and very professional program left no doubt in the minds of the crowd that this young lady will be going a long way with her chosen sport. Daylan has achieved her Triple Gold status and is currently working on her Junior Competitive Freeskate. She trains at the Royal Glenora Skating Club during the week and skates in Elk Point on weekends.

Solos were by Aaron Jurak, who recently placed first at a meet in Smoky Lake, Natalie Maas, Justyne Wozniak and Seanna Ewasiuk, who are all looking forward to competing in Vegreville in the near future. Kimberly Hudy and Andrea Lee performed a very polished Dutch Dance, while Jessica Lee and Kristyn Buksa presented a fine pairs routine.

Gifts of appreciation were presented to Miss Hoffman, coach Dennell Anderson, assistant coaches Jenna Bassett, Christie Sorochar, Lindsay Liebrecht and Leanne Wozniak, and to junior assistants Justyne

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THE STYLE AND GRACE that took Daylan Hoffman all the way to the Canadian championships left her home town crowd awed by her considerable talent at Sunday's Ice Carnival.

kid next door, Woody sets off to rescue him and the two become good friends. This miffs Woody's girlfriend, Jessie, but of course it all works out in the end.

Chapters of the delightful story alternated with solos by the club's most advanced

Hoffman.

Daylan has had a spectacular season, placing fourth at BC Summerskate in Vancouver and first at Wildrose in Edmonton, Sask Skate Invitational in Saskatoon, Regionals in Sherwood Park and

■ Chamber of Commerce

Chamber "essence of the community" - Danyluk

Progressive Conservative candidate Ray Danyluk told the Elk Point Chamber of Commerce last week that "the Chamber is the essence of small communities. Chambers have to be strong, and the province has to show some initiatives to Chambers and to tourism."

Danyluk feels northeast Alberta "has a lot to offer" and noted that REACH Corporation is currently working on a program to assist the counties of St. Paul and Smoky Lake to work in conjunction with the Heart of the Lakeland. "We have to get together more and instill enthusiasm in order to attract tourism, he said. He cited the example of Vermilion, which has taken as its theme, "The friendliest town

in Alberta," and where he was greeted with handshakes as he walked down the street, which gave him a "warm feeling" about the community.

Infrastructure is one of the key areas of importance, Danyluk said. "We have to get some of our resources back." The resource road grants are very important, and allowed the County to build the new Moosehills road. "But the regulations are wrong. When we have heavy traffic in the oil patch and in town, the roads don't qualify because they aren't bypasses. There should be a grant that will effect that." However, he noted that care must be taken in developing criteria. "How do hit the areas that won't leave the policy wide open?"

Danyluk said he "very much supports" small communities and local businesses, and feels many of the services and goods provided locally are the same as those people go to Edmonton to obtain. "The road that comes in also goes out. It's a real concern."

Danyluk feels there is inequality in the province. Northeast Alberta needs a strong voice to "try to overcome the impact of southern Alberta" and that while there should be an opposition, "it shouldn't be rural Alberta."

Lindsay Wagner of Alberta Treasury Branch introduced a new MasterCard and Interac program which is available to Chamber members under a new joint program of ATB

and the Alberta Chamber of Commerce, and which will benefit the Elk Point Chamber when one of its

members signs up for the program. The terminals will also process other popular credit card transactions.

Jeffrey Young fund nearing its goal

Elk Point teen Jeffrey Young will soon be heading to the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, thanks to generous donors in Elk Point and surrounding areas. Glenn Harms, who spearheaded the fundraising efforts, said \$19,392 had been deposited or committed to the fund by last Thursday. "We're getting close now. Then we'll go on to raise some more to cover air fare, hotel and meals."

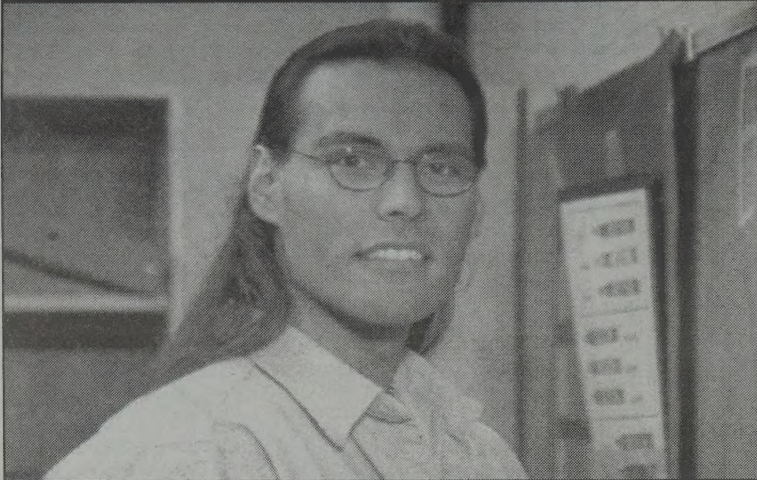
Young suffers from a rare form of epilepsy and it is hoped that the tests will find a way to alleviate the multiple seizures that wrack his body.

Donations are still being accepted at Servus Credit Unions in Elk Point and St. Paul.

community NEWS

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Dinner theater debut this Thursday

The Elk Point Community Choir and Friends are all set for opening night, with their 2001 dinner theatre presentation, "Get Smart", starting a six-night run on Thursday evening.

Tickets for the dinner theatre have been sold out since just after they went on sale in

November.

Sellout crowds will enjoy bountiful meals in addition to the Choir and Friends' portrayal of the adventures of bumbling detective Maxwell Smart, Agent 99 and all the others from the hilarious television show many of us remember from several decades ago.



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NOTICE FOR OBJECTIONS

APPLICATION NO. 2001057

ALTAGAS UTILITIES INC.

APPLICATION TO MERGE ALTAGAS UTILITIES INC. AND BONNYVILLE GAS COMPANY LIMITED

Take Notice that the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (the Board) may continue to process this application without further notice if no bona fide objections are received on or before **March 20, 2001**.

Nature of the Application

AltaGas Utilities Inc. (AltaGas) and its wholly owned subsidiary Bonnyville Gas Company Limited (Bonnyville) applied by letter (the Application) for an order approving the merger of the two companies. Each company currently owns a designated gas utility as defined in the *Gas Utilities Act* (GU Act).

AltaGas and Bonnyville (collectively, the "Applicants") are making this application for an order providing:

- 1) Approval, under section 25.1(2) of the GU Act, for Bonnyville and AltaGas to complete the transactions necessary to merge their property, franchises, privileges and rights so that AltaGas may directly own and operate the gas utility formerly owned and operated by Bonnyville as a wholly owned subsidiary;
- 2) Authorization, under section 26(1) of the GU Act, for Bonnyville to convert its stock on its books;
- 3) Approval, under section 36 of the GU Act, for AltaGas to provide gas and gas services to former Bonnyville customers at interim rates set as the rates, tolls and charges previously approved by the Board for Bonnyville until rates are approved for AltaGas, including the services to former Bonnyville customers, through the general rate application for test years 2000, 2001, and 2002 currently before the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board;
- 4) A declaration, under section 50 of the GU Act and section 71 of the *Public Utilities Board Act* (PUB Act), that section 99 of the PUB Act does not apply; and
- 5) Any further or other relief, under section 10(3)(f) of the *Alberta Energy Utilities Board Act*, that appears to the Board to be just and proper.

The Applicants have stated there will be no reduction in the nature and quality of services that have been provided by AltaGas or Bonnyville, nor will there be any adverse rate consequences arising from the amalgamation. The Applicants have also stated that present and future customers will not be adversely affected by the proposed amalgamation. The Applicants have indicated that the purpose of the amalgamation is to permit AltaGas to operate with greater efficiency and flexibility in the marketplace and that the amalgamation is expected to result in overall cost savings that will be shared with customers.

Subject to the Board granting this Application, the proposed amalgamation is scheduled to close on April 1, 2001.

Additional Information

To obtain additional information or a copy of the Application, contact:

AltaGas Utilities Inc.
c/o Mr. Robert J. Koizumi
Manager, Regulatory Affairs
5509 - 45th Street
Leduc, Alberta T9E 6T6
Telephone: (780) 986-5215
Fax: (780) 986-5220

Copies of the Application are available for viewing at the Board's Edmonton and Calgary offices at the addresses indicated below.

Alberta Energy and Utilities Board
10th Floor
10055 - 106th Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 2Y2
Telephone: (780) 427-4901
Fax: (780) 427-6970

For information about EUB procedures, contact: Utilities Branch, Calgary Office
Attention: Larry Anderson
Telephone: (403) 297-6500
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To File a Submission

If you have a bona fide interest and want to make a submission, your reasons for objecting to or supporting this application must be stated in writing. A copy of your submission must be sent by March 20, 2001 to AltaGas Utilities Inc. and to the Board, Utilities Branch, Calgary Office, to the attention of Larry Anderson, at the address indicated above. Issued at Calgary, Alberta on March 6, 2001.

Michael J. Bruni, Q.C., General Counsel

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

March 19, 2001

Ardmore Community Hall, Ardmore, AB

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Guest Speaker: Don Hennssey

For more information contact:

Laurie O'Hearn, Administrator

Lakeland Industry & Community Association

5006 - 50th Avenue, Bonnyville, Alberta

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from the FCSS DESK

The voices of birds herald the arrival of spring

By Deanna Easthope

FCSS Director

No, I haven't "gone to the birds". But do you realize how wonderful spring is with all the newness it brings? The old expression, "Spring has sprung, the grass is riz, I wonder where the birdie is?" is an indication that spring has arrived.

I have always wondered why birds sing, and the other day I came across a book with the title: "Music of the Birds - A Celebration of Bird Song" by Lang Elliott. He said, "The question of why birds sing can be approached from two directions: the scientific perspective, which derives from evolutionary biology, and the poetic perspective, which springs from our emotional experience of hearing birds sing. Superficially, the two viewpoints seem at odds. However, a close look reveals that both yield valid and useful information, and both contribute to the richness of our experience of bird song and, more generally, to the quality of our relationship with nature."

"As human beings, we respond emotionally to the voices of birds. We are moved by their varied and musical utterances. Bird songs soothe our spirits and bring joy to our lives. In the songs of birds, we may even hear heavenly voices - healing music from a world outside ourselves. We listen in awe, spellbound by what we hear, and cannot help but wonder why the birds are singing. Are they really making music? Are they singing to us, to one another, or only to themselves?"

William Wordsworth is quoted as saying: "The birds pour forth their souls in notes of rapture from a thousand throats." Robert Browning stated: "For, what are the voices of birds... But words, our words, Only so much more sweet?"

"Thus bird song may have been the original stimulus for the development of musical melodies among humans - the natural template that aroused the first inkling of melodic sensibility and encouraged the evolution of music." That is a good thought. No wonder we have a bonding feeling with nature! Anyway, do not the songs of all birds con-

tribute equally to nature's choir? And if we listen without judgment, are we not able to find beauty and delight in every song we hear?

Edmund Clarence Stedman in "Seeking the May-Flower" (1860) said:

*"The sweetest sound our whole year round -
'Tis the first robin of the spring!
The song of the full orchard choir
Is not so fine a thing."*

Yes, it is true the voices in song from birds ushers in the great happy season of spring. I am so glad spring is here. May you all take time to enjoy our season of spring and may you all be able to take time to hear the songs of the birds and all the spring nature sounds.

How sweet are you? LRHA plans Diabetes information session planned for March 21

By Linda Fox, RD
Elk Point Health Centre

Health authorities have declared that diabetes is a disease of epidemic proportions. Some 1.5 million Canadians have diabetes. Another 750,000 have diabetes and don't know it. Undetected, or improperly managed, diabetes can slowly damage both the small and large blood vessels in the body, resulting in a variety of complications such as heart disease, adult blindness, kidney disease, leg amputations and impotence.

There are certain factors that can increase the risk of developing

diabetes. These include:

- age (over 45 years old). The Canadian Diabetes Association predicts one in four Canadians will develop type 2 Diabetes after the age of 45.
- race/ethnicity (diabetes is more prevalent in people of Aboriginal, African and Latin American descent).
- family history of diabetes
- obesity/inactivity
- gave birth to a large baby (over 9 lbs.)

By the year 2010 it is estimated that there will be three million Canadians with Type 2 Diabetes. Will you be one of them? Don't wait until then to find out, risking the onset of seri-

ous complications.

Health care workers in the Lakeland Regional Health Authority have teamed up in a campaign to increase awareness of Type 2 Diabetes. The goal is to achieve earlier detection, diagnosis, intervention, coordinated education and physi-

cian follow-up.

Find out how sweet you are now by visiting the "How Sweet Are You?" promotion on March 21, 2001 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Seniors Centre in Elk Point. Call the Elk Point Health Unit (724-3532) today for an appointment.

FGM plans "An Evening of Fine Arts"

Elk Point and district is invited to attend "An Evening of Fine Arts," a showcase of the junior high art, home economics, shop and music programs at F. G. Miller High School on Monday, March 19 from 7 to 9 p.m. for one night only.

While enjoying the background music of the F. G. Miller Crusader Bands, browse through an exhibition of junior high projects where individual students' work in art, home economics and shop will be on display. Also on display, junior high science projects that were entered in the St. Paul Education Regional Division Science Showcase.

Attend "An Evening of Fine Arts" and show your support for our youth by helping to celebrate their successes. The students are anxiously awaiting your visit, as they are eager to share with you their artistic and musical talents and science research skills.

Elks out of playoffs

A 3 - 0 defeat Friday night in Vermilion took the Elk Point Elks out of the SaskAlta League playoffs, as they lost the best-of-5 series three games to one.

Their final home game on Wednesday saw exciting action before an excellent mid-week crowd. Vermilion took an early two goal lead, but Blair Halfe, (Leighton Grey, Doug Zarowny) and Kerry Loughran (Ted Genereux, Blair Halfe) tied it up, the Elks taking the lead early in the second with a goal by Cory Laboucane (Genereux, Halfe). Vermilion came back with two more, which were answered by Sheldon Espetveidt, unassisted, and Aaron Aarbo (Dwayne Karbaszewski, Halfe). A three goal scoring run at the beginning of the third put the Elks two goals behind, and the

Elks final goal of the season, by Halfe (Loughran, Genereux), left them one short of a tie. Vermilion scored into an empty net in the final seconds for an 8 - 6 final score.

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Elk Point & Area Soccer Club

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EARLY BIRD

Register on March 21 from 5-8 pm
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AGE GROUP	COST
U6	\$30
U8 & U10	\$35
U12, U14 & U16	\$45
Family Rate	\$110

Register on April 4 from 6-8:30 pm
at the Elk Point Elementary School

AGE GROUP	COST
U6	\$35
U8 & U10	\$40
U12, U14 & U16	\$50
Family Rate	\$115

After these dates an additional \$10 per player will cover the late fees.

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Annual General Meeting Held on April 4
at the Elementary School at 7 pm

Contact person: Juanita Buck 724-4491

Elk Point REVIEW

VIEWPOINTS

REGIONAL
CRIBBAGE
CHAMPIONS



REGIONAL CRIBBAGE CHAMP - Brenda Blazenko of Bonnyville accepts the Chemical Workers trophy donated by Local 474 ECW Union from Mike Breen. She defeated William Chomlak of Landonville for the win. Ten competitors came from clubs in Riverton, St. Andrews, Landonville, Elk Point, Marwayne, Ferguson Flats, Bonnyville and Riverview to take part in the championships at the Windsor Club.



B SIDE WINNER was Rod Mudryk of Elk Point who edged out close competitor Milton Lorensen of Riverview in the final. Mike Breen presents the trophy donated by Barrie Young of Cleaning by Page.

Young stars on ice shine their brightest

(Continued from Front Page)

Wozniak, Seanna Ewasiuk, Natalie Maas, Kristyn Buksa and Andrea Lee during a brief intermission.

All the skaters joined in the colorful grand finale, parading in costume while the senior skaters gave one final exhibition of their considerable skills.

The Stars of the Show

Guest Skater: Daylan Hoffman

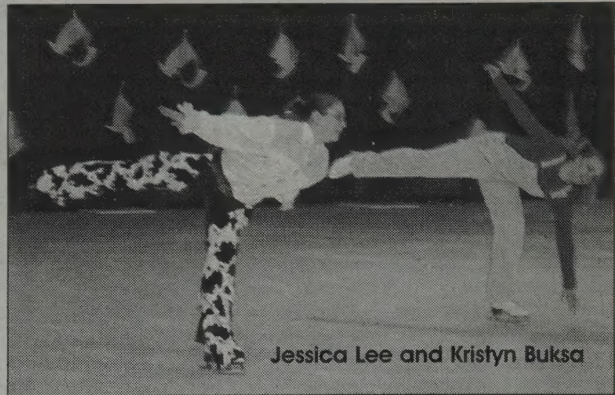
Canskate Beginners: Emily Burke, Luke Laboucane, Sean Lee, Beaudon Rogers, Corey Wozniak

Canskate Stage 1 & 2: Lane Callioux, Skyler Ewasiuk, Aaron Graus, Stephen Hillebrand, Alex Lee, Julianne Christensen, Haylee Ference, Cianna Fayant, Kayla Fayant, Marissa Jackson

Canskate Stage 2: Cheyenne Lawrence, Madeline Ludlage, Ryley Wozniak

Canskate Stage 2 & 3: Steven Durocher, Courtney Fayant, Stephen John, Chanelle Ward, Danielle Christensen, Page Crevier, Tanisha Patterson, Jonathan Suvak

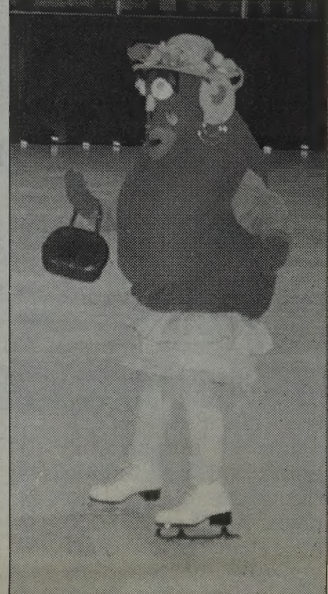
Skate Canada: Kristyn Buksa, Seanna Ewasiuk, Kimberly Hudy, Aaron Jurak, Andrea Lee, Jessica Lee, Natalie Maas, Justyne Wozniak



Jessica Lee and Kristyn Buksa



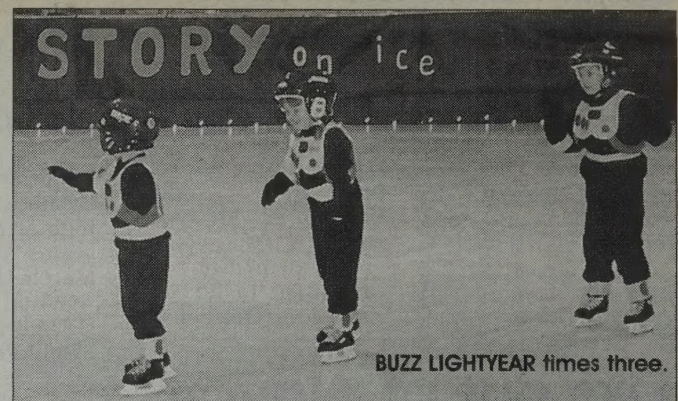
BO PEEP, WOODY AND MRS. POTATO HEAD were among the characters in the club's portrayal of "Toy Story."



BUZZ LIGHTYEAR times three.



THANKS, COACH! Monica Schuhmacher presents a gift to coach Dennell Anderson.



■ Nutrition Month

The eating of the green

By Carol Moro
Take Off Pounds Sensibly

This month, as we celebrate St. Patrick's Day, what's the best thing you can do for your health? Hint: It doesn't involve drinking green beer.

Along with the wearin' of the green, consider the eating of the green. As in vegetables. Nutritionally, they can't be beat. They're fat-free, low in calories, and packed with important nutrients.

Yet many North Americans consume meager amounts of vegetables. We're most likely to choose those prepared in a high-fat form, like French fries.

Here are some facts that may inspire you to make the green scene.

Green vegetables like broccoli, spinach, asparagus and artichokes get their color

from chlorophyll - the only substance in nature that can collect and store energy from the sun. Think of them as "solar energy cells" that will give you an energy boost.

Speaking of green vegetables, why not give peas a chance? Peas contain dietary fiber, iron, niacin, protein and no fat. Chinese pea pods (snow peas) and sugar snap peas have edible pods that make them an excellent snack, easy to take along wherever you're going.

Turnip greens, broccoli and kale are good sources of ... drum roll, please... calcium!

Good sources of iron include spinach, chard and beet greens.

And now, since cabbage is a traditional St. Paddy's day dish (as in "corned beef and..."), here are ideas for a tasty alternative way to prepare cabbage: lite coleslaw.

1. For a tasty dressing, mix lite mayonnaise with an equal amount of plain nonfat yogurt.

2. Or blend apple juice with vinegar and use this as the dressing.

3. Enliven your salad with minced bell peppers, shredded apple, crushed pineapple or chopped walnuts.

The great thing about cabbage is that it's rich in vitamin C and folacin. The great thing about making your own coleslaw is reaping the benefits of cabbage without heaping on the fat of commercial coleslaw made with ordinary mayonnaise.

What about lettuce salads? A good rule of thumb is: the darker green the leaves, the better. Popular iceberg lettuce is actually the least nutritious choice. Romaine lettuce, loose-leaf lettuce and arugula put iceberg to shame.

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review SPORTS



THE BATTLE OF ST. PAUL took place in Elk Point Ladies Bonspiel's Grand Challenge. Lena Stepa presented the Elk Point Insurance trophies to (left to right) Judy Morgan, Ollie Zapisocki, Caroline Yewchin and Lorraine Muirhead, who defeated (front, left to right) Judy Bilyk, Maria Leskiw, Patricia Werstiuk and Lisa Blodgett in a hard fought final. Third place went to the Desaulniers rink and fourth to Bernice Capjack-Hugo's foursome.



B EVENT winners of the Capitol Drugs trophies presented by Curtis Porcina were (left to right) Stella Lorenson, Carrie Becker, Jimmie Lou Irvine and Tina Harms, who won over (front, left to right) Melanie Blue, Laura Blue, Leila Blue and Agnes Moroziuk.



C EVENT - Shiela Nelson presented the Empress Restaurant trophies to (left to right) Leanne Smith, Christa Lypka, Christine Penz and Jackie Pens, who won over the Servus Credit Union rink, (front, left to right) Marie Loch, Kathy Makaruk, Olga Filipchuk and Janice Connolly.

FARMERS... The Best In The Field

Soccer notebook

By Juanita Buck
Elk Point and Area Soccer Club

Tufts of brown grass are poking through the snow cover and spring soccer season is just around the corner. The Elk Point and Area Soccer Club has begun preparations and will be ready to begin practices on April 18. This year the season will begin earlier than usual, so check the newspaper and poster boards around town for registration times and place.

Speaking of registration, the fee structure is about the same as last year. But if you register at the first registration date, you will save a bit of money and if you miss the well-advertised registration dates, you will pay a late fee. So make your decisions about joining

the club as early as you can. It is easier for the club to plan the season if we know how many players and teams we have at the actual registration.

The Elk Point and Area Soccer Club has been around for a few years and we have grown in size almost every year. If there are any folks who can lend a hand, we really need some fresh faces to continue. This year we will only fill up teams on a first come, first served basis, and until there is a full team with a volunteer coach, assistant coach and manager, the players will wait on a waiting list. Contact Juanita Buck at 724-4491 if you are willing to coach, manage a team, sort out equipment, referee, be on the executive or just generally help out. For new coaches and coaches who want a refresher, we are holding a FREE training session on April 1 in the Elementary School Gym. There will be an excellent

coach trainer from the Lakeland Area attending so this is one of those dates you shouldn't miss. Finally, our Annual General Meeting will be held on April 4 at 7 p.m.

at the Elementary School and we need all the families who join soccer to be at the meeting and be willing to get involved. It is important to give a hand. Let's play soccer!

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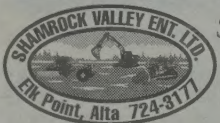
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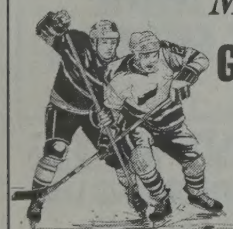


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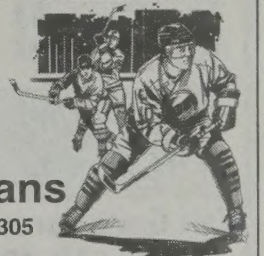


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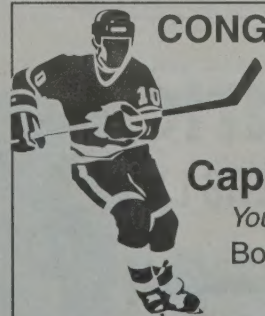
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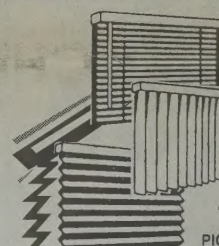
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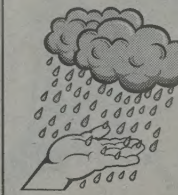


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By Daphne Schnurer
Librarian

Thanks to my regular volunteers at the library, Lena Stepa, Anna Mae Warren, Amelia Jasinsky, Faye

Smith, Sherry Pelech, Lynn Urquhart, Karen Bryan and Vicki Brooker for their dedication in helping with programming and day-to-day operation of the library. The library

hosted a luncheon last Thursday as a token of appreciation for their much appreciated efforts.

Focus on Fitness

With all this wonderful weather, everyone will be getting out and about. We have a "Fitness" theme collection on loan from Northern Lights, currently at the library. No time to read? Why not check out some of these great fitness tapes: **The 5-Minute Workout** (we all could use one of those!), **Back in Shape, Back Pain Relief, No**

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We are grateful to Rev. Joep Langejans for the meaningful Funeral Service and to the Community Choir for the inspiring music. A special thank you to John and Caroline Yewchin for their kindness and professionalism.

Thank you also to the ladies of the Pioneer Circle for the delicious lunch that was served following the service.

Lena Stepa & Family



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Bull sale prices take a sharp climb

Elk Point area purebred breeder Bernard Boeckmann saw prices take a steep climb over last year's figures, when he hosted his sixth annual Spring Creek Red Angus bull sale last week at the C. J. Baker Arena.

Boeckmann welcomed the large crowd of bidders and modestly acknowledged that "my bulls look pretty fair."

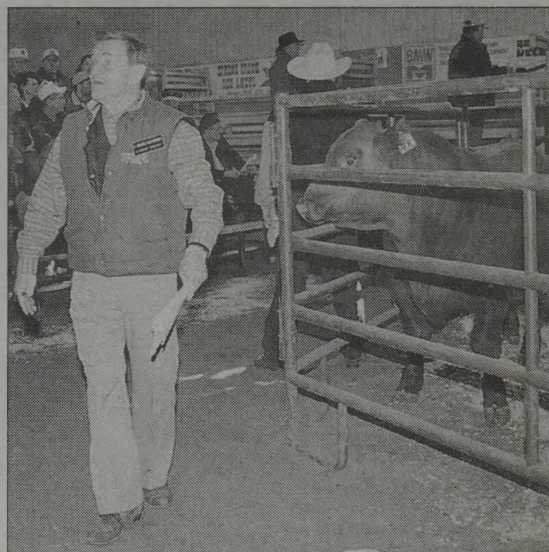
Prices for the sale showed that bidders agreed. A total of 35 Red Angus bulls sold for an average of \$3014, a 28 percent increase over last year's average of \$2350, while one hybrid bull sold for \$2800, a 53 percent

jump from last year's hybrid average of \$1825.

Topping the sale at a whopping \$7000 was half interest and half possession in Red Spring Creek Hi Ho 8K, a January 23, 2000 bull whose mother was daughter of a two-time grand champion female at the Lloydminster Stockade Roundup and a \$43,000 US bull, Red Rocket. Purchaser was Royal Valley Cattle Company.

Second highest seller was Red Spring Creek Bitt Gold 28K, which brought \$3650.

Auctioneer was Steve Dorran, and ringmen were Bruce McFadyen, Bryon Wolters and Mark Jubinville.



RINGMEN Bruce McFadyen and Bryon Wolters scan the crowd for bids on Red Spring Creek Hi Ho 4K, a January 17, 2000 bull with a powerful pedigree who sold to Lane Lorenson for \$3250.

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Fluney new Edmonton Region FCL chair

Don Fluney of Dewberry was elected Edmonton Region chair at the Federated Co-operatives Limited (FCL) board reorganization meeting following FCL's 72 annual meeting held March 5-6, 2001 in Saskatoon. He was first elected to the FCL board in 1991 as a director for the 11 retail co-operatives in FCL's district E17, which encompasses northeast Alberta. Fluney also held the position of Edmonton Region Chair from 1996 to 1997.

Fluney currently serves on the Grants and Donations and Environmental committees of the FCL Board. He also serves as chair of the board of directors for the Rural Education and Development Association and as vice-chair of the Co-op council of Alberta.

Fluney joined Eastalta Co-op in 1960 and was elected to its board of directors in 1989. He believes in the co-op principles and their ability to help keep rural communities together and strong.

Fluney recently was a council member on the Ag and Food Council of Alberta for six years, and on Alberta's County Appeal Board Environmental Sustainable Council.

Fluney and his wife operate a mixed farm and a repair garage. They have two grown children.